

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HJR 527

March 8, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Urges the Commissioner of Finance and Administration to institute a policy whereby the Bureau of TennCare does not provide coverage for the emergency contraceptive pill, also known as "Plan B" or "the morning after pill". If an amendment to the Section 1115 waiver is necessary, the Commissioner is urged to submit an amendment within 60 days of the passage of the resolution to eliminate emergency contraception coverage under the TennCare waiver.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – The Bureau of TennCare currently spends approximately \$2,800 in state funds and \$25,200 in federal funds for emergency contraception. Any savings realized will be offset by increased costs associated with pregnancies and additional program enrollees.

Assumptions:

- The fiscal impact assumes that the action urged by this resolution will be implemented and reflects the cost of implementation.
- According to the Bureau of TennCare, annual spending on emergency contraception is approximately \$28,000, of which 10 percent, or \$2,800, is state funded and 90 percent, or \$25,200, is federally funded.
- The potential savings of \$28,000 would be offset by the increased costs of additional pregnancies and increased TennCare enrollment.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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